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Inv.:	de Nora	Examiner:	M Alexander
Ser. No.:	10/684,879	Date:	1/10/06
Title:	Aluminium electrowinning cells having ...		

PETITION TO EXTEND TIME TO RESPOND AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Please extend the time to respond to the office action dated 11/10/05 from 12/10/05 to 1/10/06. Please charge deposit account no. 50-0912 the fee required for this extension. In response to the office action (restriction requirement) dated 11/10/05, Applicants elect Group I claims 27-55 and 59-60 without traverse.

In the claims

Please cancel non-elected claims 56-58 without prejudice to refiling.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that the present document was transmitted by fax to Examiner M Alexander at fax number 5712738300 on 1/10/06.

Jayadeep R. Deshmukh